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Message from the Dean

Dear Friends,



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One of the things that
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dean of our school is the
way that our students
assist the underserved
populations of the state,
nation and world.

There are many milestones in our school's future that are quickly approaching, not the least of which is the occupancy of the fabulous Koury Oral Health Sciences Building. By the time you receive this magazine, we'll be in the throes of moving everyone back to campus from their satellite offices in Southern Village, Research Triangle Park and other locations around Chapel Hill. We are all looking forward to being back under one roof again and celebrating in our new state-of-the-art education and research space.

In the pages that follow you'll get a sense of what the UNC School of Dentistry is accomplishing in the areas of our mission: teaching, patient care, research and service. From a white coat ceremony for our dental hygiene students to a first-of-its-kind study that's changing the way we look at pain disorders, our school continues to improve dentistry for the profession and our patients.

One of the things that I'm most proud of as dean of our school is the way that our students assist the underserved populations of the state, nation and world. We've taken time in this issue to highlight seven students from the D.D.S. Class of 2012 and their service efforts through our Dentistry in Service to Communities (DISC) program. The stories you'll find in that article are varied: some learning important lessons in dental care and some getting direction on what path their careers will take. It is important we continue to encourage our students to see different types of communities and patients as it helps ensure they will be prepared for any conditions that come their way in dentistry.

As we prepare for this next chapter in our history at the UNC School of Dentistry, I want to be sure that each of you know how instrumental you've been in the process. We are fortunate to have a supportive, engaged group of alumni. Our students, faculty and staff members benefit from your generosity, interest and support each day. Thank you for your enthusiasm for dentistry and our school here at UNC.

Sincerely,

Jane A. Weintraub, D.D.S., M.P.H.
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Course Title	Date	Speaker(s)	Location
Intraoral Radiography for Office-Trained Dental Assistants	Apr. 11-May 19	Mrs. Madge Webster	UNC School of Dentistry
15th Annual Straumann Lecture: Advanced Techniques for Interdisciplinary Teams Looking to Enhance Their Esthetic Restoration Outcomes	Apr. 13	Dr. Brody J. Hildebrand	The Friday Center
25th Annual Roy B. Harrell Symposium: Pain Management Secrets	Apr. 13	Dr. Pei Feng Lim	The Friday Center
28th Annual R.J. Shankle Lecture: New Directions in Clinical Management of Endodontic Infections	Apr. 13	Dr. Christine Sedgley	The Friday Center
Advanced Functions in Dental Assisting: ADA II Prep Course	Apr. 20-21	Mrs. Lynn Smith, Dr. Ralph Leonard	UNC School of Dentistry
Implant Therapy & Management for the Entire Dental Team	Apr. 20	Ms. Amy Nguyen, Dr. Sompop Bencharit	UNC School of Dentistry
16th Annual Dental Hygiene Lecture: Advanced Periodontal Instrumentation	Apr. 27	Anna M. Pattison, R.D.H., M.S.	The Friday Center
Advanced Instrumentation Clinical Workshop	Apr. 28	Shannon H. Mitchell, R.D.H., M.S., Cheryl Hayes, R.D.H., M.Ed.	UNC School of Dentistry
Understanding the Possibilities- Strategies for Predictable Outcomes for a Range of Patients in Your Practice	Apr. 28	Dr. Clark Stanford	UNC School of Dentistry
OSHA, TB, Bloodborne Pathogens & Infection Control: Annual Update	May 4	Dr. Ralph Leonard, Dr. Valerie Murrah	The Friday Center
Behind Every Dental Implant There is a Great Staff...Planning for Success!	May 4	Dr. Larry Schoonover	The Friday Center
Fundamentals of Cone Beam CT Interpretation	May 11	Dr. Don Tyndall, Dr. John Ludlow, Dr. Rick Platin	UNC School of Dentistry
Esthetic & Conservative Operative Dentistry for General Practitioners: Porcelain Veneers	May 11	Dr. André Ritter, Dr. Ed Swift, Dr. Harald Heymann	UNC School of Dentistry
Principles of Orthognathic Surgery	May 17-18	Dr. Bill Proffitt, Dr. Emile Rossouw, Dr. Ceib Phillips, Dr. Tim Turvey, Dr. George Blakey and other UNC Faculty	UNC School of Dentistry
Update in General Practice 2012	May 31- June 1	UNC Faculty	The Friday Center
Provisional Restoration Fabrication Workshop	June 1	Dr. Ibrahim Duqum	UNC School of Dentistry
29th Annual Dental Review	June 14-16	Dr. John Cranham, Dr. Larry Holt, Dr. Gavin Heymann, UNC Operative Faculty	Kingston Plantation, Myrtle Beach, SC
Educational Theory & Strategies for Dental Radiology Educators	July 13	Dr. Sally Mauriello, Vickie Overman	UNC School of Dentistry
Carolina Institute for Dental Radiology Educators	July 14-17	UNC Faculty	UNC School of Dentistry
Carolina Oral Pathology Institute 2012	July 18-20	Dr. Lynn Solomon, Dr. Sandra Myers, Dr. Alice Curran, Dr. Jennifer Webster-Cyriaque	UNC School of Dentistry
28th Annual Prosthodontics for General Practitioners on Hilton Head Island	July 23-28	Dr. Hans-Peter Weber, Dr. Timothy Wright, UNC Prosthodontic Faculty	The Westin Resort, Hilton Head Island
National Dental Assisting Educators Workshop	Aug. 13	UNC Faculty	UNC School of Dentistry

Stamm Recognized by King's College London with Honorary Degree

John W. Stamm, former school dean, received an honorary degree of Doctor of Dentistry from King's College London. Dr. Stamm currently holds a joint appointment as a professor in the Department of Dental Ecology at the School of Dentistry and an adjunct professor of epidemiology in the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health.

The honorary degree was conferred in a ceremony in London in early November at an event chaired by the Marquess of Douro and Principal Sir Richard Trainor.

Honorary degrees are conferred by King's College London on those of conspicuous merit as demonstrated by their outstanding contributions. In addition to his academic work in oral disease risk assessment, Dr. Stamm was recognized during the ceremony as "a truly international figure in dentistry, with enormous standing and influence, whose

pursuit of excellence and promotion of advances in dental education and oral and dental science underpin his outstanding contribution to dentistry."

Dr. Stamm has spent nearly 30 years at our school in a variety of roles and capacities, all of which reinforce how much

"a truly international figure in dentistry..."

he deserves his latest honor from King's College London.

Dr. Stamm served as the school's dean from 1989-2004 and as interim dean from 2010-11. During that time, he devoted a continuing effort to strengthening the school's brand as a global leader in dental education and research. Under his watch, the School of Dentistry constructed a new clinical teaching facility, Tarrson Hall, and started the planning and fundraising process for the new Koury Oral Health

Sciences Building that will open this spring.

In addition, Dr. Stamm oversaw establishment of the school's first two Ph.D. programs and led the school through two successful accreditation processes and two highly successful capital campaigns. During his tenure, the number of

dentistry's endowed professorships rose from one to 14, and student scholarship/fellowship funds grew significantly. Dr. Stamm also

pressed for strategic investments in the information technology infrastructure that enabled an electronic curriculum, an electronic patient record system and a centrally located digital clinical imaging system.

Dr. Stamm is a graduate of the University of Alberta and the University of Toronto. From 1971 to 1984, he served on the full-time faculty at McGill University in Montreal.

Dr. John Stamm (center) with the Marquess of Douro (left) and Principal Sir Richard Trainor (right).



OPPERA Study Sheds Light on TMD, Pain Disorders

Last fall, UNC released emerging research findings about the painful jaw problems that plague millions of Americans. The results are the result of a UNC-led study called the Orofacial Pain Prospective Evaluation and Risk Assessment study, or OPPERA.

OPPERA is the first large-scale clinical study of its kind, and it provides insights into potential causes of temporomandibular joint disorders (TMD). The study required researchers from UNC, the University of Maryland, the University of Florida and the University at Buffalo to follow 3,200 initially pain-free individuals aged 18 to 44 for three to five years and observe their health, especially with relation to pain.

The findings should lead to new methods of diagnosing facial pain conditions, predicting who will be susceptible to them and new treatment approaches.

“Previous studies haven’t been able to be as conclusive as OPPERA because they’ve often included fewer participants and didn’t follow participants for an extended amount of time,” said Dr. Bill Maixner, study leader and director of the school’s Center for Neurosensory Disorders. “OPPERA is allowing us to study potential biological, psychological and genetic risk factors over a longer period of time, so we will be able to better evaluate the association of these factors with TMD. This novel study will also allow us to learn more about pain disorders in general, and will improve our ability to diagnose and treat chronic pain conditions across the board.”

In the results reported in November’s *Journal of Pain*, the team compared the initially pain-free subjects with 185 people who had long-standing, chronic TMD. They identified a number of demographic, biological, psychological and genetic factors associated with chronic cases of the condition:

- Chronic TMD became more frequent with increasing age in women but not in men, refuting the previous belief that a woman of early childbearing years was most susceptible.
- People with TMD were much more sensitive to mildly painful sensations, more aware of body sensations, and experienced greater heart rate increases during mild physical and psychological stress. The findings indicate that chronic TMD is at least partially linked to a person’s perception of and ability to suppress pain.
- Several genes, including some known to influence stress response, psychological well-being and inflammation, were identified and may result in new targets for drugs to treat temporomandibular joint disorders and related chronic pain conditions.

The research team will publish additional findings and insights as they continue to analyze the study data.

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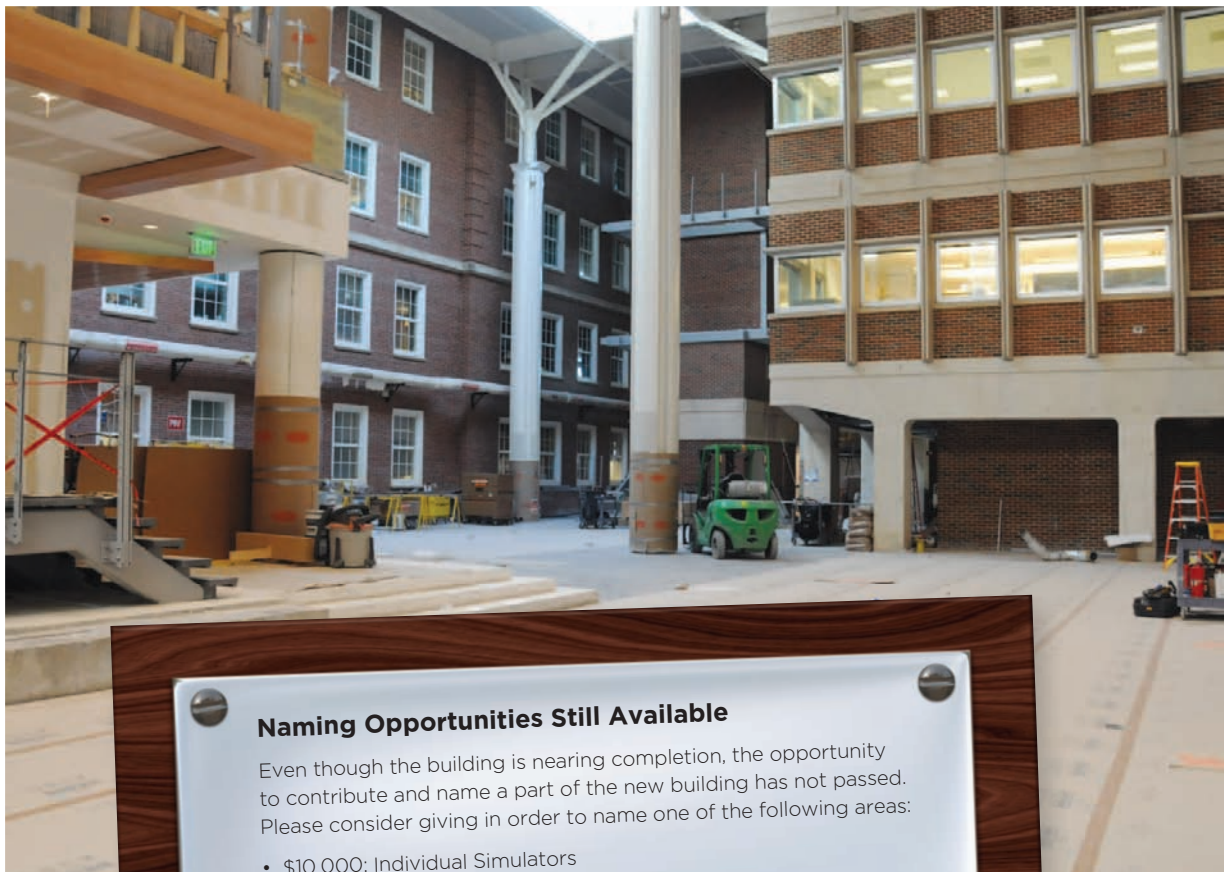


Finishing Touches on the Koury Oral Health Sciences Building

As we approach the end of construction on the Koury Oral Health Sciences Building, anticipation continues to grow among students, faculty and staff. Within the next few months, we'll be occupying our new building and using it for meetings, research and learning. Enjoy these photos; the next time you see the building in the *North Carolina Dental Review*, it'll be finished!

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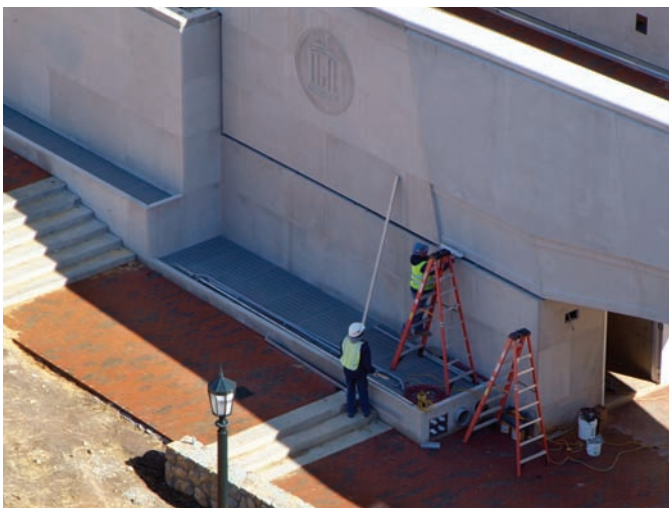


Naming Opportunities Still Available

Even though the building is nearing completion, the opportunity to contribute and name a part of the new building has not passed. Please consider giving in order to name one of the following areas:

- \$10,000: Individual Simulators
- \$15,000: Research Offices, Lab Space
- \$20,000: Offices/Administrative Space
- \$25,000: Department Chair Offices/Reception Areas/Study Rooms
- \$35,000: Conference Rooms/Study

To explore other available naming opportunities, please contact Paul Gardner at 919.966.6984 or paul_gardner@dentistry.unc.edu.



Faculty Development

Promotions



Guthmiller

Dr. Janet Guthmiller, Professor

Dr. Guthmiller, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, was recently promoted to full professor in the Department of Periodontology. Previously, she was full-time faculty at the University of Maryland and the University of Iowa where she was involved with predoctoral and postdoctoral education, maintained a private practice and performed research. She received her D.D.S. from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry and her periodontal certificate and Ph.D. in cellular and structural biology from the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Guthmiller's NIDCR-funded research has encompassed molecular biological studies of periodontal pathogens and expression and function of innate antimicrobials. Dr. Guthmiller has been the recipient of collegiate, University and national teaching and mentoring awards, including the Faculty Mentor of the Year from the National Student Research Group of the American Association for Dental Research.



Nesbit

Dr. Sam Nesbit, Clinical Professor

Dr. Nesbit recently received a promotion to the rank of clinical professor in the Department of Diagnostic Sciences and General Dentistry. He is a D.D.S. graduate of Case Western Reserve University and earned his M.S. in oral diagnosis and radiology from the University of Michigan. In addition to his promotion, he remains the director of the Diagnosis and Treatment Planning Service and the director for courses in treatment planning and ethics in dentistry. Dr. Nesbit has received numerous awards including the Richard F. Hunt Award for Teaching Excellence. He is a co-author of the textbook, *Treatment Planning in Dentistry*, which is now in its second edition.



Ritter

Dr. Andre Ritter, Professor

Dr. Ritter recently received a promotion to the rank of full professor in the Department of Operative Dentistry. He also is the current Operative Dentistry Graduate Program director. Dr. Ritter joined the department in 2000 after earning his Master of Science here at the UNC School of Dentistry. Over his time at UNC, Dr. Ritter has engaged in numerous teaching, research, patient care and service activities. He has been a course director in the advanced operative dentistry course as well as several graduate-level operative dentistry courses, and a co-director of conservative operative dentistry for several years. Dr. Ritter has a strong record of collaborative research and scholarship, demonstrated by over 50 peer-reviewed publications and an equal number of research abstracts, and has also served on editorial boards as a manuscript reviewer for many scientific publications.



ADEA Travel Grant Recipients

Three full-time dental school faculty members are receiving travel grants to fund a portion of their trip to the American Dental Education Association (ADEA) Annual Session and Exhibition which will be held March 16–20, 2012 in Orlando, Fla. This is the fourth year that the School of Dentistry dean has funded the faculty for the grants. The grants will allow faculty to attend the meeting and learn more about the ADEA and dental education. In turn, the three faculty members will return to the school and provide an educational session for the dental school faculty. Below are the recipients of the 2012 travel grants.



Pettiette

Dr. Mary Pettiette, Clinical Associate Professor

Dr. Pettiette is currently a clinical associate professor in the Department of Endodontics. She instructs both the endodontic graduate students and predoctoral students in the didactic and clinical settings. Her research interests include clinical applications of endodontics, notably including her research from the late 1990s that helped support the change from using stainless steel endodontic files to nickel titanium files.



Haggerty

Dr. Carol Haggerty, Clinical Associate Professor

Dr. Haggerty is currently a clinical associate professor in the Department of Diagnostic Sciences and General Dentistry. She is a group practice leader in the fourth-year general dentistry clinic. Dr. Haggerty also serves as the school's faculty leader of the ENNEAD program, a student-led volunteer organization whose mission is to provide dental care for the underserved populations in North Carolina.



Barrero

Dr. Carlos Barrero, Clinical Associate Professor

Dr. Barrero is a clinical associate professor in the Department of Prosthodontics. He currently serves as the preclinical course director of the fixed partial denture course for second-year D.D.S. students and as a group leader assistant in the fourth-year general dentistry clinic. He specializes in patients' reconstruction needs and cleft complications.

Academy of Academic Leadership

The Academy of Academic Leadership (AAL) provides customized professional development, leadership training and consulting services for more than 100 higher education institutions throughout the world. One of their offerings is the Institute for Teaching and Learning (ITL) which is a collaborative effort of the ADEA and the AAL. The ITL is offered once per year at UNC's William and Ida Friday Center for Continuing Education. Current faculty and those considering an academic position can participate in a two-phase program (on-site in Chapel Hill), six and one-half days, with distance education modules between phases. The advantage for our UNC faculty is that we have been able to send several of the UNC faculty to the ITL as part of the collaborative agreement between the AAL and the UNC School of Dentistry. Since 2007, approximately 15 full-time dental

school faculty have graduated from the ITL and enhanced their teaching with the training. Faculty who completed the ITL in 2011 are Dr. Ibrahim Duqum and Dr. Gustavo Mendonca, both clinical assistant professors in the Department of Prosthodontics, and Dr. Luis Pimenta, clinical professor in the Department of Dental Ecology. Applications are currently being accepted for the 2012 ITL. For more information on AAL, visit http://www.academicleaders.org/ITL_home.cfm.



Duqum



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Pimenta

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Radiology Now Reviewing Cone Beam CTs

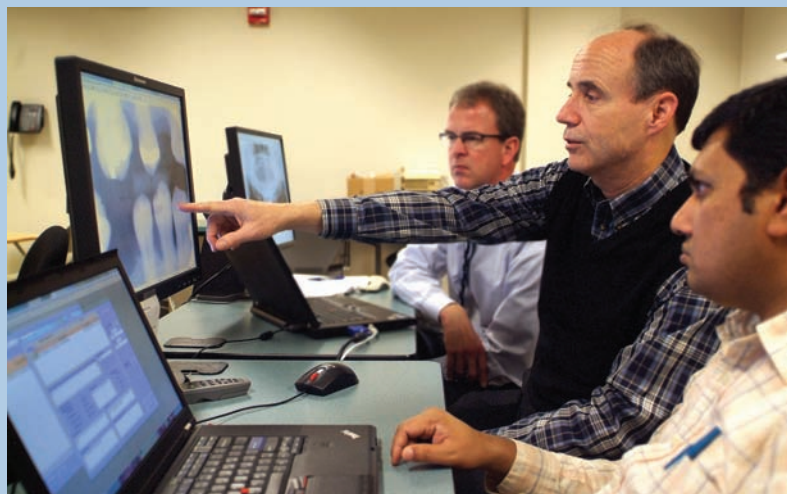
The Division of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology recently started a new service providing dental practitioners with cone beam CT (CBCT) reviews. The program, which is overseen by Director of Radiology Dr. Don Tyndall, allows dentists to submit CBCT volumes to be reviewed by one of the school's board certified radiologists.

"We started this service because we realized that, while some dental practitioners are capable of reviewing their own CBCT volumes for most cases, there's a large number who aren't comfortable making solid diagnoses because they're not familiar with certain findings or abnormalities," said Dr. Tyndall. "Since reading radiographs is our specialty, dentists who use our CBCT review service can feel confident in the CBCT analysis and begin to form a treatment plan without fear of missing an important finding."

The service includes a thorough report of findings and a differential diagnosis; these reports can be used as a second-opinion or a confirmation of suspected abnormal or unusual CBCT findings. For an \$80 fee, dentists can upload their CBCT volumes of any size to a secure, HIPPA-compliant website to begin the process. Currently, the division is approved to read CBCT scans in Arizona, California, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont and West Virginia.

"We're really pleased with the response we've received from this service since starting it in late 2011," said Dr. Tyndall. "The program has been more utilized than we ever expected early on, so we're excited about the CBCT review program's future."

For more information, visit their website: www.dentistry.unc.edu/services/radiology





Focus on the Family

Encouraging Dental Care during Pregnancy through pOHP

Each year, approximately 6 million women become pregnant in the United States. For most of those women, becoming pregnant means paying extra attention to their own body to ensure optimal health and the health of their unborn child.

Regular visits for prenatal care begin to take over her calendar as she learns about the do's and don'ts of being pregnant.

Unfortunately, more often than not, the do's omit the instruction on how to properly care for her teeth and gums during pregnancy. In the dental community, we know how important it is for pregnant women to maintain good oral health while pregnant. But, we also know that there are many health care providers and pregnant women who believe dental treatment — even something as innocuous as a cleaning — can hurt the unborn child.

To counter this misconception, Dr. Rocio Quinonez, clinical associate professor in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, and Dr. Kim Boggess, professor in the UNC School of Medicine Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, began the Prenatal Oral Health Program, also called pOHP. Through this effort, funded by a grant from the Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina Foundation, they will educate prenatal health care providers and expectant women on how oral health affects a woman's overall health that can help set a trajectory of optimal oral health practices for their unborn child.

Why *not* to skip the dentist

Even though there are countless reasons pregnant women should continue their normal visits to the dentist during pregnancy, many women continue to opt out of dental treatment for those crucial nine months.

“Some women, unfortunately, believe that visits to the dentist are unsafe during pregnancy,” said Dr. Quinonez. “It could be a belief passed down to them, fear of the effects of dental treatment, concerns about radiation exposure to the fetus ... The reasons truly run the gamut.”

In the past, health care providers were leery of dental care during pregnancy because of the unknowns. Since there was a lack of research on how things like x-rays affected the mother and the unborn child, no one was really sure how dental care affected pregnancy. This uncertainty meant that providers couldn’t say with confidence that dental visits and procedures were safe

for a pregnant woman and led many providers to suggest pregnant women delay preventive care visits to the dentist while expecting.

However, current research paints a different picture than care providers likely anticipated in the past. Studies are consistent in showing that the fears and reservations women and care providers have about dental care’s effect on the pregnancy are, in large part, unfounded. As a result, some care providers are sending their pregnant patients to the dentists for routine dental care.

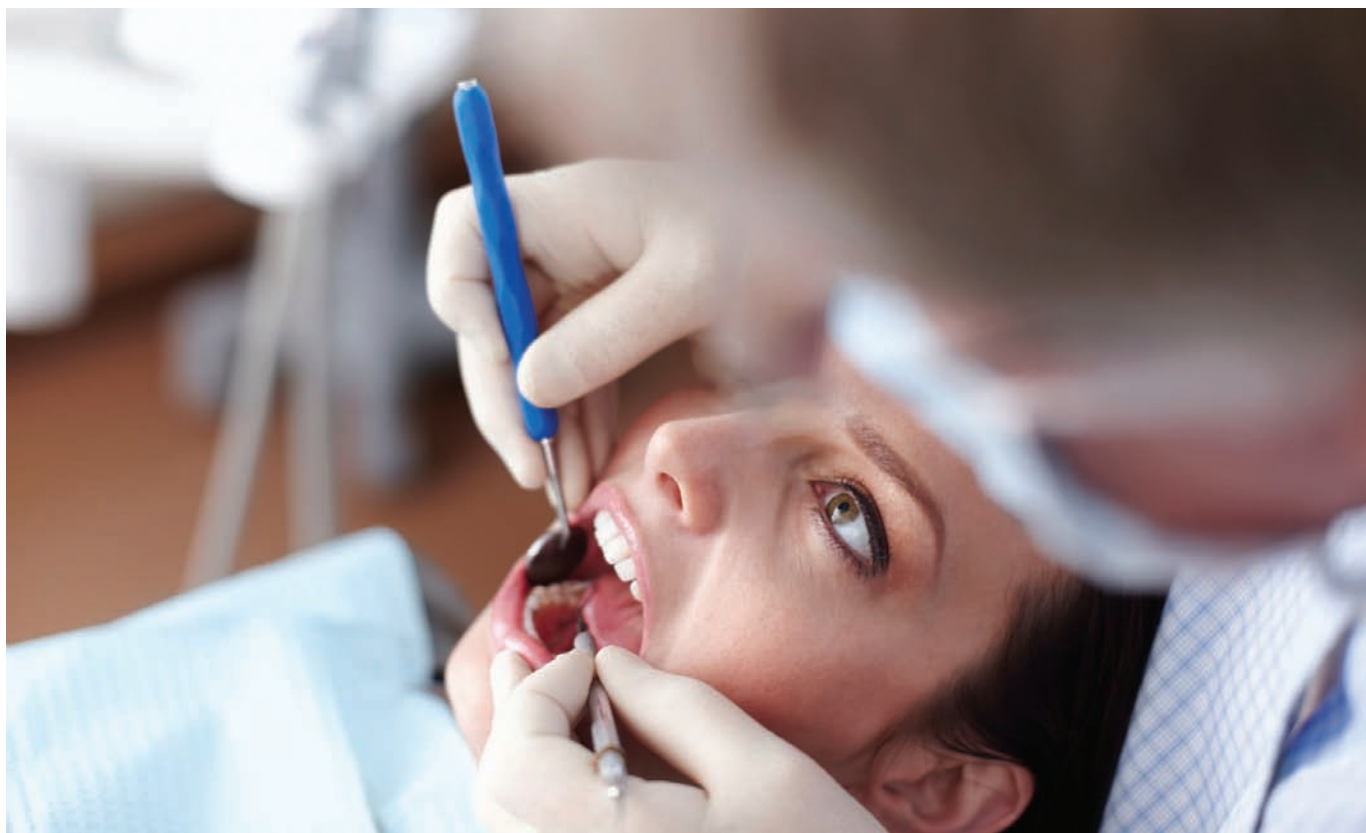
“Studies have shown conclusively that the health of the oral cavity directly correlates to the rest of the body’s health in pregnant women and in men and women who are not pregnant. It is important for us all to understand that, but especially those women who are pregnant or hope to become pregnant,” said Dr. Boggess. “The best way to promote the health of an unborn child is to be healthy while

pregnant, a time when dental and craniofacial development begin. Being a healthy expectant mother involves many aspects like regular prenatal care visits and a healthy diet. But it’s important that we remember the part that oral health plays in overall health and that we work together to promote oral health while pregnant.”

How can pOHP help?

While educating pregnant women about the importance of oral care is important, educating other primary health care providers is perhaps even more critical.

“Pregnancy can feel like an uncertain time in a woman’s life, especially if this is her first child,” explained Dr. Boggess. “Expectant mothers have a multitude of questions about everything from healthy weight gain to the safety of fluoride, and more often than not they reach out to their prenatal care or other primary care provider for those answers. Therefore,



health care providers are critical in the education about dental care's relationship to pregnancy."

Most of the time, of course, providers who serve as the go-to contact for pregnant women are not experts in dental care. They may feel uncomfortable providing specifics about the correlation between oral health and health during pregnancy, or about the safety of dental procedures, because it's not their area of expertise.

That's where the pOHP comes into the picture.

"One of the things we'll accomplish thanks to the BCBSNC Foundation funding is the completion of a pOHP kit for providers to use with pregnant patients," said Dr. Quinonez. "The kit is designed to help primary health care providers talk about the importance of dental care in an informed manner and get the major points across. It parallels the Baby Oral Health Program (bOHP) kit that was introduced in 2008."

The pOHP kit, which will be available for order later this summer, will contain a variety of materials for care providers to use during discussions with pregnant women to educate them about the connection between their oral health and the health of the unborn child.

"Many women don't know that poor oral health has been linked to premature childbirth and low-weight babies. That's something that expectant mothers—and their care providers—need to know," said Dr. Boggess. "Information like that is included in the pOHP kit, because it's critical to fully understand the potential effects of not maintaining good oral health during pregnancy."

In addition to materials designed to educate the pregnant patient, the kit will also contain general guidelines for care providers, including information specific to dental care during pregnancy.

"Even though dentists understand the importance of good oral health during the

entire lifespan, some dentists are uncomfortable treating pregnant patients," explained Dr. Quinonez. "We felt like it was important to offer them some best practices and things to consider when delivering care to expectant mothers as a continuum to the oral health of their infant."

Dr. Boggess continued, "Our goal is to educate prenatal care and dental care providers on the best and safest oral health practices for pregnant women. In the end, we all want the expectant mother and her family to be as healthy as possible. pOHP encourages a mentality where oral health and hygiene play a large role in securing overall health."

It's about the Family

It is not news that, generally, parents are responsible for the creation of healthy habits in children. Since children learn not only through instruction, but often also just by observation, it's important that both the mother and the father understand the value of good oral health. In a family where oral hygiene is not a focus, though, pregnancy can be the optimal time to reach a family by way of the mother. By educating the mother on oral health and its importance, dentists and other prenatal care providers can begin to influence not only the mother, but the entire family.

"Our pOHP initiative is a very exciting and unique opportunity to reach women about the relationship between oral and systemic health at a time when they're often more aware of their health than ever before," said Dr. Quinonez. "We're encouraged at the potential that surrounds this program because it can lead to healthier women, healthier pregnancies and, eventually, healthier babies."

For more information about pOHP, visit www.bOHP.unc.edu.



TOP: Dr. Quinonez performs a knee-to-knee exam on an infant. **BOTTOM LEFT:** A parent wipes their child's gums with a soft rag. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** A young girl letting her mother brush her emerging teeth.

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Dr. Jan Faulk-Eggleston and **Dr. Glenn Reside** were invited by the US Army to conduct mock oral examinations for eligible Army oral and maxillofacial surgeons in preparation for the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons examination. These sessions were conducted at Fort Bragg, NC.



Tyndall

In October, **Dr. Don Tyndall** participated in a speaking engagement at the annual Association of Brazilian Dental Radiologists meeting in Praia do Forte in the state of Bahia (www.sirona.com.br/jabro/-palestra.html). His lecture topics were "Digital Dentistry" and "Back to the Basics: The Fundamentals of Radiologic Interpretation." Each was 2.5 hours long and there were several hundred in the audience.

Dr. Jessica Lee recently participated in a panel sponsored by the Center for Faculty Excellence. The topic of the panel was "Finding a Mentor and Making the Most out of the Mentoring Relationship." In addition to Dr. Lee, panel members included UNC professors Dr. David Garcia, associate professor of Music, and Dr. Meghan Slining, assistant research professor of nutrition.

Dr. Glenn Reside provided a continuing education course on "Management of Complications after Implant Surgery" to the Randolph Co. Dental Society in February. He also presented to the Rowan Dental Society in Salisbury, NC on "Management of Medically Compromised Patients" in the same month.

Professor Rebecca Wilder participated in a UNC campus panel titled "Designing and Implementing Mentoring Programs for Early-Career Faculty." Other panelists included Dr. Eric Muller, Director of the UNC Center for Faculty Excellence, and Dr. Matt Redinbo, Professor and Chair of the Department of Chemistry.

Dr. Tung Nguyen was named the recipient of the 2012 Helen and BF

Dewel Award from the *American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics* (AJO-DO). His award-winning paper, "Three-dimensional assessment of maxillary changes associated with bone-anchored maxillary protraction," was the highest-rated clinical research paper published in AJO-DO in 2011.

Dr. Lorne Koroluk completed the gateway clinical examination with the American Board of Orthodontics. By completing this examination, he became one of only two individuals in the U.S. and Canada who have completed both the orthodontic and pediatric specialty examinations.

Dr. Ed Swift was appointed as an adjunct senior scientist at the Houston Center for Biomaterials and Biomimetics, University of Texas Dental Branch at Houston.

Professor Rebecca Wilder recently lectured at the Southwest Dental Conference in Dallas, Tex. and the Rocky Mountain Dental Convention in Denver, Colo.

Dr. Timothy Turvey spoke at the Royal Melbourne Children's Hospital on midfacial advancement for cleft lip and palate and the surgical treatment of other facial clefts, and at The Orbit 2011 in Ferrara, Italy about a procedure that he modified for improvement of exorbitism (bulging eyes) in patients with underdeveloped faces.

Dr. Larry Nissen completed a two-year presidency of the International Association of Oral and Maxillofacial



Surgeons. Dr. Nissen completed his tenure at the 20th Congress of the IAOMS in November; the meeting was the most successful international venue to date, with more than 2,100 attendees.

Drs. Scott Eidson, Ed Swift and Al Wilder were inducted into the American College of Dentists in October.

Dr. George Blakey conducted oral examinations for the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. The week-long process took place in Dallas, Tex. in February, 2012.

Dr. Raymond P. White has received notification of extension of his grant on the Efficacy of Wisdom Tooth Removal which is funded by the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons. This marks the twelfth year of funding. The project has resulted in 117 peer-reviewed publications and abstracts.

Dr. Rocio Quinonez received the prestigious Omicron Kappa Upsilon (OKU) National Dental Honor Society's Charles Craig Teaching Award. This is the first



Dr. Lyndon Cooper traveled to Peking University in December to present at the Peking University Forum on Prosthodontics. Dr. Cooper presented two lectures during the forum.

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time a UNC-Chapel Hill faculty member at any school has received this honor. The award recognizes young dental educators for innovative teaching in dentistry with an emphasis on encouraging students to pursue lifelong learning and exploring dental education as a career.

Dr. Brent Golden presented a continuing education course titled "Developmental Facial Deformities" to the Buncombe Co. Dental Society in December, 2011.



Maixner

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Drs. George Blakey and Timothy Turvey were honored by the University of Valparaíso at the 20th Congress of the International Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons (IAMOS) in Santiago, Chile. The awards recognized Drs. Blakey and Turvey for their outstanding support of the training of oral and maxillofacial surgeons from the University of Valparaíso. For the past 10 years, 12 faculty and residents from the University of Valparaíso have visited the UNC School of Dentistry for several months each year to study surgical treatment of patients with facial deformities. Both also lectured while at IAMOS.

Dr. Bill Maixner testified at the U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) hearing entitled Pain in America: Exploring Challenges to Relief. Maixner's testimony to the HELP Committee focused on the June 2011

Institute of Medicine (IOM) report on chronic pain, Relieving Pain in America, as well as current barriers—and their suggested solutions—impeding the improvement of care for those with chronic pain disorders.

In Memoriam: Walter T. McFall

Dr. Walter T. McFall, former professor in the UNC School of Dentistry Department of Periodontics, passed away on Friday, December 16, 2011.

The Georgia native came to Chapel Hill by way of Tennessee and Asheville before



enrolling at UNC for college. He earned his bachelor's degree in dentistry before pursuing his D.D.S. degree, which he completed in 1958. Dr. McFall began work at UNC, but soon decided he

wanted to pursue a master's of science degree in periodontics from the University of Washington. He completed that degree in 1961, after which he returned to the School of Dentistry faculty in periodontics.

During his time at UNC, Dr. McFall led the formation of the graduate program in periodontics at the school, which remained one of his proudest accomplishments. He also served on many school, University and professional committees in addition to his full-time professor appointment. He held elected positions in the UNC Dental Alumni Association, the Dental Foundation of North Carolina and the American Academy of Periodontics.

Dr. McFall is survived by his wife, Charlotte; and his daughter Anne Snowden McFall and her husband Spencer Whiting of Jacksonville, Fla.; and his son Walter T. McFall IV, and his wife Melany Denny McFall; and his grandson Walter T. McFall V (Quint) of Chapel Hill.

The Department of Periodontology recently established the Walter McFall Fund in his honor. For more information about this fund or to contribute, contact Paul Gardner, associate dean of advancement, at paul_gardner@dentistry.unc.edu or 919-966-6984.



Formal Fun

Students Hold Annual Charity Gala

This year's Second Annual Dental Charity Gala took place on September 23, 2011, at the Chapel Hill Sheraton Hotel. Over 200 School of Dentistry faculty, staff and students came to enjoy a dressy night of fun supporting the student-run free dental clinic, Dental Student Health Action Coalition (Dental SHAC).

During her first year of dental school, Leslie Yuan, D.D.S Candidate '13, was disappointed to learn that the School of Dentistry, unlike other professional schools on campus, didn't have a

formal event for the entire school. As a coordinator at Dental SHAC, she also knew that the organization would benefit from additional, student-raised funds. That's when she had the idea for a charity gala. In the spring of 2010, a committee of women from the UNC Class of 2013 transformed Yuan's idea into a reality.

This year, the charity gala raised nearly \$2,000 for Dental SHAC; these funds will help SHAC continue providing care to patients in need. The five-hour event included heavy hors d'oeuvres, dancing,

socializing and the opportunity for attendees to bid on more than 40 silent auction items.

"We are hoping that this event becomes one that second-year and third-year students work together on so that this may be a lasting tradition," says Yuan. "I think it is absolutely necessary in dental school to take a break, dress up and dance the night away with friends, your professors and your dean!"

This year's gala committee is pictured below.



TOP ROW (left to right): Sara Valencia, D.D.S Candidate '13; Holly Parsons, D.D.S. Candidate '13. **BOTTOM ROW** (left to right): Leslie Yuan; Natalia Nunez, D.D.S Candidate '14; Si On Lim, D.D.S Candidate '13; Lindsay Carlton, D.D.S Candidate '13; Sarah Lee, D.D.S Candidate '13; Rachel Swart, D.D.S Candidate '13; Jessica Greenwood, D.D.S Candidate '13; Abbey Hawkins, D.D.S Candidate '13; Melissa Smith, D.D.S Candidate '13. Not pictured: Liz Consky, D.D.S. Candidate '14.



Dental Hygiene Students Earn Their White Coats

On January 8, the Dental Hygiene Class of 2013 celebrated another milestone in their education: their White Coat Ceremony. The ceremony was held on the UNC campus in the Medical Biomolecular Research Building. Afterwards, the 32 students enjoyed a reception with friends, family and members of the School of Dentistry administration and faculty to observe their latest accomplishment. **Bettie R. McKaig, B.S.D.H. '71, D.D.S. '78, M.S. '84**, was the event's keynote speaker, and she spoke on professionalism and the importance of patient care—both with excellent clinical skills and, most importantly, through caring behaviors.

Garaas Wins Straumann Award

Rachel Garaas, D.D.S., M.D., third-year resident in oral and maxillofacial surgery, won the Straumann Award for the most outstanding paper given by an OMFS resident at the annual AAOMS meeting in Philadelphia in October, 2011. Her paper entitled "Prevalence of Third Molars with Caries or Periodontal Pathology" has been published in the *Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery*, February, 2012.



Garaas

Tang Wins ADEA/Crest Oral-B Scholarship for Hygiene Students

Qun Tang, who is pursuing her M.S. in dental hygiene education, was recently named one of two students nationally to receive the ADEA/Crest Oral-B Scholarship for Dental Hygiene Students Pursuing Academic Careers.

The ADEA/Crest Oral-B Scholarship for Dental Hygiene Students Pursuing Academic Careers supports dental hygiene students who want to work in academia and are actively enrolled in an education program beyond an associate's degree. Two students are selected annually and receive \$2,000 which may be applied to their tuition and fees.

"Although English is her second language, Qun graduated from the dental assisting and dental hygiene programs with strong GPAs," said Professor Rebecca Wilder, program director for graduate dental hygiene education. "She is very dedicated to her goal of dental hygiene education and is extremely deserving of this honor."

Wilder also serves as Tang's academic

advisor and was one of the faculty who nominated Tang for the scholarship.

Tang received several student awards during her education, including a national award for dental assisting. She will present her master's thesis project at the 2012 American Association for Dental Research (AADR) meeting in Tampa, Fla. Currently Tang is conducting her teaching internship in the Dental Hygiene Department at the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, Tex.

"It is an honor to be selected for this award," said Tang. "I'm very excited to be one of two recipients nationwide for the scholarship and am looking forward to a long career in dental hygiene education."

Tang will graduate with her master's degree in May 2012. After graduation, she plans to begin her career in academics.



Tang

Students in Service



Each year, UNC School of Dentistry's rising fourth-year students participate in the Department of Dental Ecology's Dentistry in Service to Communities (DISC) program. The extramural program, which has been in existence for more than 20 years, has been overseen by Dr. Rick Mumford since 2008. Our DISC program, one of the first of its kind, is considered a model program for other dental schools. The program's hallmark is the high level of direct student participation in the rotations program, rather than simply assigning students to rotation sites.

"It is incredibly important for our students to be exposed to a variety of patients and dental needs, and we can't always provide that diversity in our clinics," said Dr. Mumford. "Health care is undergoing vast changes and the level of dental patients who lack access to oral health care, who are underserved or uninsured is rising, so our students learn they must be prepared for anything clinically."

Participation in the DISC extramural rotation program is a required part of the D.D.S. curriculum. The goals of the program are to expose the students to a diverse patient population and also to provide students an opportunity to observe and participate in a variety of different community-based health care systems. The assignments the students receive for their rotation are vast; many conduct their rotations at federal and state health care institutions, county public health departments, hospitals or rural clinics, among other public settings, within NC, the US and even internationally.

"No matter what path our students chose for their dental career, the experiences they have as a result of their DISC rotations will broaden their understanding of dentistry and help them make better decisions in their career," said Dr. Mumford.

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A Protocol Reminder

Winslow Indian Health Center • Zuleika Javed, D.D.S. Candidate '12

I encountered a pediatric patient with a retained primary tooth which needed help in the exfoliation process. I was trying to adapt to the clinic's protocols, so I didn't protest when the assistant asked the patient to sit on her hands. Though I was apprehensive to proceed since I used a different approach, I placed the "jelly" and distracted the little girl so that I could obtain the syringe. The girl screamed and moved in the chair as I tried, to no avail, to inject anesthetic. I withdrew the syringe and realized the assistant had inverted the carpule; it needed to be reloaded. As I tried to re-inject the now-hysterical patient, she slapped the syringe out of my hand and onto the floor. I was in shock.

During the rest of the procedure I was preoccupied with what happened. I thought about how it could have been prevented. I should have anticipated her reaction; it's logical she would be terrified. I should have insisted on using my protocol for treating pediatric patients. I was too focused on getting along with everyone, trying not to seem too demanding or incompetent. In the following days, I avoided treating pediatric patients. Whenever I needed to make an injection, the incident crossed my mind and fear set in. Through continued exposure to injections, I gradually got over the incident.

This experience made me realize it's necessary to be prepared for anything and also to only proceed with procedures when you're comfortable with the protocol. I'm now more confident and, thanks to the experience I gained at the health center, I'm better prepared to administer care to all ages of patients.

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Javed

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Perez

Educating Youth in Need

Miacatlan Orphanage • Elizabeth Perez, D.D.S. Candidate '12

I wanted to go to the Mexico Project because I was born in the Mexican state of San Luis Potosi. In my family when I was growing up, dental care was nonexistent ... and basically still is to this day. I thought you only visited the dentist when you were in pain or had esthetically displeasing decay. I never knew why or how to brush my teeth until I was in a US elementary school and a local hygienist educated my class on dental hygiene. Naturally, I was curious what the dental system was like in Mexico today.

During our trip, we performed treatment in a remote orphanage in Miacatlan. We found a lot of decay in the children's mouths — not surprising since lots of the kids treasured the treats from the orphanage store: ice cream, candies, soft drinks, and other cariogenic goodies. What most frustrated me was to see kids who had already received treatment in the past who still did not have a good grasp on oral hygiene. One 14-year-old girl had the worst gingivitis I've ever seen; her gums were literally flapping sadly about. After talking to the local dentist who sometimes treated the kids, we were given permission to give her a bottle of Listerine after we completed oral hygiene instructions with her. But what about during the rest of the year? Or the other kids and teens for that matter? They don't have basic dental hygiene supplies throughout the year. Sadly, several of them also came in with missing restorations because the preps were done with round burs offering no retention at all.

When I left, I hoped that the kids learned good hygiene habits so that in the future they could break the cycle of decay. But ... I think I will have to go back and see for myself.



Unexpected Community Patients

Harvest Family Health Center • Courtney Bowen, D.D.S. Candidate '12

During my last week of my rotation at the Harvest Family Health Center in Elm City, NC, I joined my preceptor, Dr. Gerrard Hunt, a Spanish-speaking hygienist, a classmate and several people from the Harvest Family medical clinic traveled to a nearby migrant worker camp. I had no idea of what to expect.

The all-male camp's non-air conditioned living quarters were basically small cabins with screen doors, concrete floors, box fans in the windows and several stacked bunk beds. Their bathrooms consisted of one room with toilets and showers, without any partitions for privacy. There was also a "dining hall" where women prepare meals and the workers pay weekly. I found it extremely sad that these workers have so little compared to most of us, but they still have far more than their families in Mexico.

That evening we screened twenty-three patients in two hours. Many of these workers were just 18 or 19 years old. We completed a brief medical history questionnaire, asked the patients to state their chief complaint and then quickly screened their mouth for the "worst looking tooth." One 19-year-old patient had a large mucocoele on his lower lip — the first one I'd ever seen — and was referred to an oral surgeon.

This was an eye-opening experience for me. Until then, I had not considered migrant workers as a population in great need of dental services. These workers are prevalent in rural NC and, since I plan to practice east of Chapel Hill, I am beginning to consider a new population of potential patients and my obligation to serve my community.

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Bowen



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Rich

Returning Home

Kijabe, Kenya • Josiah Rich, D.D.S. Candidate '12

For one of my DISC rotations I returned to my home in Kijabe, Kenya and, for four weeks, I was privileged to work alongside my father, Warren Rich, D.D.S. '82, to provide dental care to people in sub-Saharan Africa. During the past 30 years, my father created the largest dental clinic in Kenya, offering a full array of services including oral surgery, orthodontics, prosthodontics, pediatrics, periodontics and endodontics. My dad designed the clinic to offer affordable care to locals, as well as specialized services when needed. He uses the funds brought in from the specialized side of the clinic to subsidize the other clinic expenses.

During my rotation, I got to step in and work beside him as he did dentistry. He ran a couple operatories, and gave me a couple of my own to run. The scope of dentistry I saw practiced was truly remarkable: processing complete dentures in the in-house lab, comprehensive orthodontics, crowns, lost-wax castings and a free fibula flap surgery in the OR alongside an ENT surgeon. I could not have asked for a more expansive experience.

From a young age I knew what kind of work my dad was doing. But now, with my dental education, I was able to help out significantly. The friendliness of the staff and patients came alive in new ways that reminded me what a strong connection I have with Africa. After living in the US for several years, I have sometimes lost sight of where my passion is, but during those four weeks I knew I had found it: back home in Africa. While unsure of what the future holds, I hope to return back home and use the skills I have been given. I don't know if it will be Kenya or somewhere else, but I can't brush the dust of Africa off my feet; it will stay a part of what I do with my life.



Attention to Special Needs

Atlanta VA Medical Center • Jada Daniel, D.D.S. Candidate '12

I was at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Atlanta and was scheduled to treat a patient. It wasn't until I called the patient from the waiting room that I found out he was a special needs patient: a paraplegic confined to a wheelchair after a car accident resulting in a brainstem injury. As we moved to the operatory with his mother, I began to worry. Will I be able to treat this patient? How will I communicate with him?

Once we got him situated in the dental chair, I began to anesthetize him. Unfortunately, while I administered the anesthesia, he started screaming, shaking his head and tried to bite down. Shocked, I immediately retracted the needle. With my confidence shaken, I asked the dentist overseeing me to administer the anesthesia. I then began to perform restorative procedures. Shortly into the procedure, the patient began shaking his leg and making moaning sounds; I became hesitant to proceed, but the mother reassured me that this was common. With guidance from the dentist, I completed the procedure with no other complications.

This experience showed me that preparation is key in avoiding critical incidents. If I try to plan for the unexpected, I have a better chance of being able to handle any medical emergency. My experience working with special needs and medically-compromised patients while on my rotation definitely increased my comfort level and confidence, making me better at providing treatment to these patients.

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Daniel



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Ricker

Clear Direction

Children's Hospital, Ohio; Public Health Clinic, NC • Kevin Ricker, D.D.S. Candidate '12

During my DISC rotations, I was able to immerse myself in two very different settings: a residency program in a children's hospital in Ohio, and in a public health clinic in the piedmont of North Carolina.

The Children's Hospital experience allowed me to see how a hospital-based residency program operates. I became part of the team and we scrambled to provide scheduled patient care while being constantly challenged with emergency patients. Patients presented with a wide array of non-dental maladies which affected the delivery of care. Trauma follow-ups were provided to children still tattooed with the scabs and scars of automobile accidents. The dental team was a valued part of the hospital as a whole and was routinely consulted for the betterment of patients.

My experience at the public health clinic was very different. Although the pace was also demanding, it was run similarly to a private practice; I operated my own chair with my own assistant at a private-practice pace. My days were filled with bread-and-butter restorative pediatric dentistry, working with ages four to twenty-one. I was able to perform procedures that did not come up regularly in the comprehensive care of my family of patients at UNC, and by the end of the rotation, they became familiar and routine.

For someone considering dental specialization straight out of dental school, the decision needs to be made by the start of the final fall semester. These rotations allowed me to get real, hands-on experience treating patients in two environments that tested my inclination to seek a pediatric residency. After spending two months treating children, I was reassured that becoming a pediatric dentist was exactly what I wanted.

It is my responsibility to provide safe dental treatment for my patients and if I can't do that, I should always be ready to refer the patient to a dentist who can.



Kearney

Safety Lessons

Pediatric Clinic, Wake County Human Services • Laura Kearney, D.D.S. Candidate '12

My patient at the Wake County Human Services pediatric clinic was an eight-year-old male in for his first operation. He seemed relaxed and chatted with his father in Arabic before the procedure. My classmate, who anesthetized him, spoke to him in English so I knew he was bilingual to some extent. When she tried to put the bite block in his mouth, he started to talk to his father in Arabic. The assistant placed the retainer and the rubber dam in the patient's mouth and he began to scream in Arabic. My classmate tried to use a voice control technique on him, but he was not listening and would not speak in English anymore. The patient then tried to pull the bite block out of his mouth. I held the patient's hand to reassure him, but he began to scream louder and began thrashing around. I had my classmate step away so I could take her place and I tried to calm the patient by telling him that we were going to take everything off and that nothing else would be done. He continued his attempts to rip the rubber dam off. Now, the bite block was on the floor and it was obvious the patient was at risk of sucking the rubber dam down his throat. Fortunately, another assistant came over and said, "Sit him up!" — which I immediately did — while everyone repeated, "We are going to take it off but we need you to stop moving." Finally, his dad said something in Arabic and he calmed down long enough so that the rubber dam could be removed.

The experience reminded me that safety always comes first in a dental office. Dental fear and anxiety complicated by a language barrier and an inexperienced assistant was prohibitive in providing dental care for this patient. It is my responsibility to provide safe dental treatment for my patients and if I can't do that I should always be ready to refer the patient to a dentist who can. This patient, who I referred to a pediatric dentist, will always remind me to be sure I can proceed safely before moving forward with any procedure.

2011-12 Scholarship and Fellowship Recipients

The Dental Foundation of North Carolina honors those donors and recipients of the Foundation's endowed scholarships and fellowships. These endowments permitted the Foundation to award more than \$325,000 in scholarships and fellowships to dental assisting, dental hygiene, D.D.S. and post-D.D.S. students for the 2011-12 academic year.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Claude Adams, Jr. Scholarship

Dr. Claude Adams III established this fund to honor the memory of his late father, Dr. Claude Adams, Jr., a dentist in Durham.

Harold Frazier, D.D.S. 2014
Andrew McNeal, D.D.S. 2014
Elizabeth Rich, D.D.S. 2014
John Zermeno, D.D.S. 2014

Dr. Rex B. Card Scholarship

Dr. Card, a 1980 graduate of the school, practices dentistry in Raleigh.

Lillian Marie Height, D.D.S. 2015

Carolina First Campaign Scholarship

Made possible by many generous donors to the School of Dentistry's Carolina First Campaign.

Erin Andrews, D.A. 2012
Pavam Anvari-aliabad, D.H. 2012
Julie Chen, D.H. 2012

Dr. Robert Russell Clark Memorial Scholarship

Made possible by a generous bequest from the late Anne Mills Clark to honor her husband, Dr. Robert Russell Clark.

Paul Carruth, D.D.S. 2012
Thomas Covington, D.D.S. 2012
Matthew P. Gidaly, D.D.S. 2013
Kelly Anne Gocekner, D.D.S. 2012
Ariel Levy, D.D.S. 2013
Magi Adel Youssef, D.D.S. 2013

Dr. and Mrs. Curtis Dailey Scholarship

Established in 2002.

Joel Stroot, D.D.S. 2013

Delta Dental Plan of North Carolina Scholarship in Honor of Dr. Glenn Bitler

A means of honoring Dr. Glenn Bitler, a former Delta Dental board member and dentist in Raleigh.

Veronica Grannis, D.D.S. 2015

Dental Assisting Scholarship

Made possible by many generous supporters.

Chelsea Elkins, D.A. 2012

Dental Friends Scholarship

Mr. and Mrs. H. Franklin Brooks, parents of School of Dentistry graduate Richard Brooks, established this scholarship in 2001.

William Griffin, D.D.S. 2015

Alberta Dolan Dental Hygiene Scholarship

To honor Ms. Dolan, a dental hygiene professor emerita, who worked at the school for 30 years, beginning in January 1953 before the first dental hygiene class came to campus the following September.

Jennifer Harmon, D.H. 2013

Glazener Family Scholarship

Established by Dr. and Mrs. Ken Glazener. Dr. Glazener has practiced dentistry in North Carolina for many years, and his son, Todd, D.D.S. '99, currently practices in Winston-Salem.

Molly Tesch, D.D.S. 2014

Dr. James Baldwin Hancock Memorial Scholarship

Dr. Tom Browder established this scholarship to honor the memory of his friend and mentor, Dr. James Hancock.

Jed Arbon, D.D.S. 2014

Miguel and Carolina Hernandez Memorial Scholarship

Dr. Dag Zapatero, along with his family and friends, established this scholarship to honor the memory of his grandparents, Miguel and Carolina Hernandez.

Natalia Nuñez, D.D.S. 2014

Harald and Karen Heymann Scholarship for Academic Excellence

Established by Dr. and Mrs. Harald O. Heymann. Dr. Heymann graduated from the school in 1978 and is currently professor and director of Graduate Operative Dentistry at the school.

Jeff Duffy, D.D.S. 2014

Dr. Edmund Baxter Hopkins Memorial Scholarship

Established by Dr. Ken Glazener, friends and family of Dr. Edmund B. Hopkins, a '58 graduate of the school, who passed away in 2001.

Caroline Albea, D.D.S. 2014

Linda Paschall Jarvis Scholarship

Established by the friends and family of Linda Paschall Jarvis, a 1975 graduate of the UNC dental hygiene program, who passed away in 1996.

Hannah Cranford, D.H. 2012

Pat Jacques Scholarship

Generously established by UNC School of Dentistry professor Sompop Bencharit in memory of Pat Jacques, who was a beloved long-time administrative assistant for the prosthodontics department.

Hannah Culbertson, D.A. 2012

Kendrick, Kendrick & Petersen Scholarship

The Charlotte Dental Society, with Dr. Jacob Freedland as a prime mover, established the scholarship in 1966 to honor Dr. Vance Kendrick initially and then Dr. Vaiden Kendrick. When Dr. Sidney D. Petersen passed away, his name was also added to the scholarship fund.

Alexandra Anne Kurey, D.D.S. 2015

Priscilla Levine Scholarship

Created in memory of a beloved patient care coordinator at the school who died in 1989.

Brittany Tuck, D.H. 2012

Loblolly Dental Study Club

The Loblolly Study Club has been a longtime supporter of the UNC School of Dentistry and established this scholarship to assist future generations of North Carolina dentists.

Catherine Carter Doswell, D.D.S. 2015

Keith T. Macdonald and Family Scholarship

Dr. Macdonald is a 1981 graduate of the school and practices in Archdale.

Sara Emam, D.D.S. 2015

Kenneth N. and Georgia S. May Memorial Scholarship

Dr. Ken May established this scholarship to honor his parents' memory.

Whitley Bartholomew, D.D.S. 2015

Morgan Family Scholarship

Dr. Kenneth Morgan, Sr. and family established this scholarship in 1994.

Michael Hernandez, D.D.S. 2013

Laura Phelps, D.D.S. 2014

Dr. H.V. Murray, Jr. Scholarship

The late Dr. Murray was a long-time teacher in the Department of Prosthodontics at the UNC School of Dentistry.

Timothy Chang, D.D.S. 2012

Old North State Dental Society Scholarship

Made possible by many generous members of the Old North State Dental Society.

Heather Hendrix, D.D.S. 2012

Robert W. and Maude B. Outland Scholarship

With his father, who received scholarship assistance during the Great Depression, Dr. Robert Outland, Jr. set up a scholarship fund to help outstanding students who will contribute to the future of health care in NC.

William Griffin, D.D.S. 2015

Cary Keen, D.D.S. 2015

Eldon and Zetta Parks Scholarship

The late Dr. Eldon Parks served as a dentist in Elkin for 40 years.

Adam Stephens, D.D.S. 2012

Dr. George and Nina Patterson Scholarship

Established by Dr. David S. Patterson, a 1982 graduate of the school, to honor his parents Dr. George and Nina Patterson.

Jason Sanders, D.D.S. 2015

Mrs. Margaret & Dr. Bobby C. Raynor and Mrs. Jane & Dr. George W. Ferguson Scholarship

Both Dr. and Mrs. B.C. Raynor are graduates and loyal supporters of UNC. The Raynors established this scholarship to honor Mrs. Raynor's parents, Mrs. Jane Boos Ferguson and Dr. George William Ferguson.

Elise Watson, D.D.S. 2012

Mrs. Margaret & Dr. Bobby C. Raynor and Mrs. Gretchen and Dr. Robert A. Garcia Scholarship

The Raynors established this scholarship to honor Mrs. Raynor's sister, Gretchen Garcia and Mrs. Garcia's late husband, Dr. Robert Anthony Garcia.

Josiah Rich, D.D.S. 2012

Mrs. Margaret & Dr. Bobby C. Raynor and Mrs. Helen and Dr. Murry W. Holland Scholarship

The Raynors established this scholarship to honor one of Dr. Raynor's favorite UNC School of Dentistry professors and his wife, Dr. Murry W. Holland and Mrs. Helen Horrell Holland.

Taylor McFarland, D.D.S. 2012

Mrs. Margaret & Dr. Bobby C. Raynor and Mrs. Myra and Dr. Monte G. Miska Scholarship

The Raynors established this scholarship to honor one of Dr. Raynor's favorite UNC School of Dentistry professors and his wife, the late Dr. Monte G. Miska and Mrs. Myra Phelps Miska.

Kevin Ricker, D.D.S. 2012

Dr. and Mrs. J. Ronald Sain Scholarship

Dr. Ron Sain and his wife, Karen, established this scholarship to help students and to provide quality dental care to the people of their region of the state.

Ben Cozart, D.D.S. 2014

Jack P. and Grace Silvers Scholarship

The late Dr. Jack Silvers was a 1958 D.D.S. and 1966 orthodontics graduate who established this scholarship in 1988.

Shenan Bradshaw, D.D.S. 2012

Brenda Lopez, D.D.S. 2015

Ying Zhao, D.D.S. 2012

Dr. Troy B. Sluder, Jr. Scholarship

Dr. Roy Corderman, D.D.S. '55, and his wife Ann established this fund to honor their friend Dr. Troy Sluder, a beloved professor and classmate of Dr. Corderman's.

Chris Vo, D.D.S. 2012

Clarence Lee Sockwell Scholarship

Dr. Sockwell is one of the teaching legends at the UNC School of Dentistry. In addition to his expertise in dentistry, Dr. Sockwell has a farming background, and he hopes to help other students from farming communities.

Ann Kennedy, D.D.S. 2015

Stewart Scholarship

Made possible by Ms. Linda Stewart, a former associate professor in the Dental Assisting program, who retired in 2010.

Kasey Worley, D.A. 2012

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. "Dink" Styers Scholarship

Dr. and Mrs. Syters wanted to honor his father and mother with this fund that they established in 1999.

Matthew Corbin, D.D.S. 2015

Tarrson Family Scholarship

The members of the Tarrson family have long been staunch supporters and friends of the UNC School of Dentistry, most recently by establishing this merit-based scholarship in an effort to relieve the financial burdens of dental students at UNC.

Rebecca Glover Andrews, D.D.S. 2012

Dr. Lois E. Taylor Scholarship

Dr. Sarah Taylor Morrow and Mr. Frank Taylor, Jr. established this fund to honor their extraordinary mother, who was the first female dentist in Charlotte.

Suzanne Davis, D.D.S. 2015

Jagruti Thakkar Scholarship

Dr. Jagruti Pradi P. Thakkar, a general dentist in Wilkesboro, made this scholarship possible.

Sabine Elias Schtakleff, D.D.S. 2012

Markie Wicker Thomas Memorial Scholarship

The Kuhn family, David, Mandy and Ritt, along with friends and family of Markie, established this scholarship to honor the memory of Markie Wicker Thomas, a 1973 dental hygiene graduate who was part of the Kuhn Family Dentistry practice for almost 35 years.

Bryan Yang, D.H 2012

Dr. William "Bill" Tulloch Memorial Scholarship

Dr. Lynn Smith established this scholarship to honor the memory of his best friend for more than 30 years, Dr. Bill Tulloch, a general dentist in Broadway, NC.

Billy Greene, D.D.S. 2015

United Concordia Companies, Inc. Scholarship

United Concordia Companies, Inc. established this scholarship to show their support for the education of future dental professionals.

Jennifer Durham, D.D.S. 2015

Kimberly Gladden, D.D.S. 2015

University Dental Associates Scholarship

University Dental Associates and the American Dental Partners Foundation established this fund in 2003.

Lindsay Brooke Carlton, D.D.S. 2013

Dr. Michael A. "Mickey" Webb Scholarship

Mike and Julie Simmons established this scholarship to honor their family friend and orthodontist Dr. Michael A. "Mickey" Webb, D.D.S. '79.

Thomas Garrett McDaniel, D.D.S. 2014

Bryant Wicker Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the family and friends of the late Dr. Bryant Wicker of Maxton, NC.

Nathan Patterson, D.D.S. 2014

James Gurney and Ruth Williams Scholarship

The late Dr. Lowell Williams honored the memory of his parents with this fund established in 1990.

Zachary Albertson, D.D.S. 2015

Dominique Medina, D.D.S. 2015

Bianca Speight, D.D.S. 2015

Dr. Douglas and Ursula Young Scholarship

This fund was established by Dr. Douglas Young and his wife, Ursula, on the occasion of his 50th School of Dentistry reunion. Dr. Young is a '58 graduate of the school who practiced general dentistry in Winston-Salem for many years.

Devinn Geeson, D.D.S. 2015

FELLOWSHIPS**Advanced Education Fellowship**

Established in 1990 to provide support for post-D.D.S. students pursuing advanced degrees in the School of Dentistry.

Sarah Council, Oral Biology

Ann and G. Randolph Babcock Fellowship

Established in 1991 with contributions from the Babcocks. Mrs. Babcock's father, Dr. R.M. Pelton, started Pelton & Crane in 1900, and Mr. Babcock was president of the company for many years.

Kerry Dove, Pediatric Dentistry

Cynthia Lambert, Dental Hygiene Education

Matthew Larson, Orthodontics

Gibson McCall, Orthodontics

Lauren Sanzone, Pediatric Dentistry

Maura Stanchak, Orthodontics

Miriam Easterling Baker Fellowship

Established by Dr. Edgar D. Baker in memory of his late wife in 1990. Dr. Baker practiced orthodontics in Raleigh and these fellowships are solely for the benefit of residents in the Department of Orthodontics.

Jocelyn Beville, Orthodontics

Tate Jackson, Orthodontics

Peter Weber, Orthodontics

Mary Jean Breeland Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry

Established through a bequest from Ms. Breeland, who passed away in 2002. She had unpleasant experiences with dentistry as a child and wanted to ensure that children wouldn't experience the pain and trauma she did.

Kerry Dove, Pediatric Dentistry

Travis Hicks, Pediatric Dentistry

Marshall Long, Pediatric Dentistry

Andrew M. Brooks Fellowship in Orthodontics

Orthodontist Greg Brooks, D.D.S. '76, M.S. '78, and his wife, Martha, established these fellowships for orthodontic residents in 1993. The fund was established in loving memory of their son, Andrew.

Jocelyn Beville, Orthodontics

Tate Jackson, Orthodontics

Peter Weber, Orthodontics

Dr. James B. Congleton III Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry

Dr. Jim Congleton, D.D.S. '75, M.S. '77, who practices pediatric dentistry in New Bern, created this fund to provide support for residents in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry.

Jackie Hom, Pediatric Dentistry

Jordan Olsen, Pediatric Dentistry

Lauren Sanzone, Pediatric Dentistry

Chien Sim, Pediatric Dentistry

Jack and Renee Dunlevy Fellowship

Established in 2003 by Dr. Jack Dunlevy, an orthodontist in Midlothian, Va., and his wife, Renee.

JoceIn Beville, Orthodontics

Cameron Walker, Orthodontics

Dr. Jacob B. Freedland Advanced Dental Education Fellowship

Established in 1994 with contributions from Dr. Jacob B. Freedland, a generous friend of the School of Dentistry who practiced endodontics in Charlotte.

Joao Ferreira, Oral Biology

Danny Mora, OMF Pathology

Paulo Nogueira, Endodontics

Ayesha Swarn, Operative Dentistry

Sodsi Wirojchanasak, Oral Biology

Dr. Jacob B. Freedland Scholarship in Endodontics

Dr. Freedland established this endowment fund in 1992 to provide support for residents in the Department of Endodontics.

Steven Richardson, Endodontics
Sheng Zhong, Endodontics

Dr. Sandy C. Marks Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry

Alumni and friends of D.D.S. '67 graduate and longtime pediatric dentistry faculty member Dr. Sandy Marks established this fund in 2004 to provide support for pediatric dentistry residents.

Jordan Olsen, Pediatric Dentistry
Lauren Sanzone, Pediatric Dentistry
Chien Sim, Pediatric Dentistry

F. Thomas McIver Fellowship

Created by many generous alumni from the pediatric dentistry program in honor of their beloved professor, Dr. F. Thomas McIver.

Jordan Olsen, Pediatric Dentistry

Dr. Jack Menius Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry

Alumni and friends of longtime pediatric dentistry faculty member Dr. Jack Menius established this fund in 1995 to provide support for pediatric dentistry residents.

Maggie Fetner, Pediatric Dentistry
Shijia Hu, Pediatric Dentistry
Felicia Swinney, Pediatric Dentistry

Dr. Theodore Oldenburg Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry

Alumni and friends of D.D.S. '57 and M.S. '62 pediatric dentistry graduate and longtime pediatric dentistry faculty member Dr. Ted Oldenburg established this fund in 1990 to provide support for pediatric dentistry residents.

Marshall Long, Pediatric Dentistry
Jordan Olsen, Pediatric Dentistry
Lauren Sanzone, Pediatric Dentistry

Elsie M. and Baxter B. Sapp, Jr. Fellowship

Established in 1991 by Dr. Sapp, a general dentist in Durham, and his wife, Elsie, this fund provides support for post-D.D.S. students pursuing advanced degrees at the School of Dentistry.

Todd Erickson, OMF Radiology
Roopwant Kaur, Operative Dentistry

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“How could I not give back?”

Helping those residents afford their education at UNC ensures there will be well-trained dentists to provide children with dental care. That's supremely important to me.

JIM CONGLETON, D.D.S. '75, M.S. '77

When former pediatric dentistry professor Dr. Theodore Oldenburg retired from teaching, **Jim Congleton, D.D.S. '75, M.S. '77**, along with a number of his classmates, wanted to give Dr. Oldenburg a present to thank him for all he'd done to educate and mentor them during their residency.

“We wanted to give him something special that wouldn't collect dust and would be meaningful for years to come,” said Dr. Congleton. “That's why we chose to establish a fellowship in his name to help pediatric residents with their education. It took a while to get all the funds necessary, but we got it done after a few years.”

Helping establish the fund in Dr. Oldenburg's name got Dr. Congleton thinking about what he could do in addition to the Oldenburg fellowship. He decided to establish a second pediatric dentistry fellowship, this one in his own name, to make pediatric dentistry education more affordable for the program's residents.

“Generally speaking, residents don't have any income and are in need of fellowships to ease the financial burden of post-D.D.S. education,” he explained. “Helping those residents afford their education at UNC ensures there will be well-trained dentists to provide children with dental care. That's supremely important to me.”

Dr. Congleton, who practices in New Bern, doesn't limit his giving just to the two fellowship funds. He's set up a planned gift to the school in his will, making him a member of the Stamm Planned Giving Society, and each Christmas he makes a donation to the Department of Pediatric Dentistry in the name of each of his referring dentists. He is also a former member of the DFNC Board of Directors and is the current UNCDA vice president.

“How can I not give back?” he asked. “UNC prepared me for my career. I received exceptional training to do my job and learned a phenomenal amount while at the UNC School of Dentistry. No matter how much I give—time or money—it will never repay what the education I received there has provided for me.”



Dr. Congleton (center) pictured with recipients of the 2010-11 Dr. James Congleton III Fellowship in Pediatric Dentistry.

Message from the DAA President

Dear Alumni,

What an exciting year we have ahead of us as members of the UNC Dental Alumni Association! We have many things to look forward to being a part of, and so many opportunities ahead to celebrate our school.



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The major celebration that's coming up is the inaugural Best of Dentistry Weekend April 27–28. On Friday, April 27 we'll have the official Koury Oral Health Sciences Building ribbon-cutting and dedication ceremony, featuring Chancellor Holden Thorp, followed by our inaugural Best of Dentistry Gala Dinner which will be held in the atrium of our new building. Please note that space is limited for attendance at the gala dinner, so prompt RSVPs are encouraged. On Saturday, April 28, five-year-cycle D.D.S. classes will be invited to their UNCDAA-sponsored class reunion reception and dinner at the Rizzo Center near Meadowmont. All Best of Dentistry Weekend attendees are also invited to take part in one of the continuing education courses being offered that weekend.


While you're enjoying that weekend in the Koury Oral Health Sciences Building, be sure to visit the UNCDAA Life Membership Recognition Wall! The wall, which will encase the walkway around Brauer Hall and overlook the UNCDAA Alumni Garden, is a way of honoring those UNCDAA members who hold life memberships. Those of you who are life members also recently received a lapel pin, which signifies your life membership, as a token of our gratitude for your investment in the UNCDAA.

After all the excitement in Chapel Hill settles down, we hope to see everyone at the NCDS Annual Session being held May 17–19 in Myrtle Beach, SC. While you're there, be sure to come by the large UNC display in the Exhibit Hall, and also join us for the UNCDAA Breakfast and Annual Meeting on Friday, May 18 from 8–9 a.m. Also plan to join us from 6–7:30 p.m. that evening at the Student/Mentor Reception which the school is again co-sponsoring. Registration for the NCDS Annual Session will be disseminated by NCDS.

I'm looking forward to seeing each of you at one of the many exciting events we have upcoming in this first half of 2012! Thank you, as always, for your support of the UNC School of Dentistry.

All the best,

Michael A. Webb, D.D.S. '79
President, UNC Dental Alumni Association

A group of ten people, including two men and eight women, are posed for a photo in front of a building with a stone wall and a white door. The two men, Drs. Ross and Rich, are standing in the back row, wearing red shirts. The women are dressed in various casual and professional attire, including blue scrubs, a black shirt, a tan jacket, a light blue jacket, and a dark blue hoodie. The setting appears to be a dental clinic in Kenya.

Drs. Ross and Rich
with the Kijabe,
Kenya-based clinic's
dental staff.

alumni GIVING BACK

Providing Care of International Importance

Generally speaking, everyone has someone in their life who is generous in some fashion to the less fortunate, whether they give their old belongings, time or money to help improve lives. **Dennis Ross, D.D.S. '87, M.S. '91**, was no different in that regard. What was different about that person in his life is that his great-uncle was a full-time missionary. While Dr. Ross was growing up, his great-uncle was traveling internationally with the hopes of improving people's lives.

"I guess you could say that it's just in my blood to help internationally," he said.

Dr. Ross has since traveled to a number of places, most recently Nicaragua and Kenya, to provide orthodontic care for citizens in those countries. Last spring, Dr. Ross traveled to Kenya to assist in a primarily orthodontic capacity at the clinic that **Warren Rich, D.D.S. '82**, established. His trips to Nicaragua involve more extractions and fillings than orthodontic-specific work. Both places, he said, were

full of people both great in need and in gratitude.

"Helping these people ... it just feels good. They're so grateful because they know we're going out of our way to help, and they treat us all with such respect and kindness that it's overwhelming," Dr. Ross explained. "I just feel like it's my duty to help those less fortunate than I am."

He plans to continue taking these international trips to provide dental care in

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underserved countries in the future. While he's not correcting every misaligned tooth, he's taking the most severe cases and doing what he can to give these patients better oral health. The time he takes to travel and work as a volunteer is time away from his practice and his family, but it's time he thinks is well spent because there are so many people in need.

"Some people ask me why I do this work internationally when we have so many in need here in our own backyard," said Dr. Ross. "I think I do it because here, in the US and in our state, we're doing things to bridge that gap: NCMOM clinics, programs like the SHAC clinic, encouraging students to stay in the state after graduation. But in some parts of the world, all they have are the spread out services of a few clinics and some volunteers. The need internationally is immense. If we weren't doing the work, it simply wouldn't get done — and it needs to be done."

classNOTES

1950's

The High Point Dental Society has established a scholarship at GTCC in honor of **Linzy Price Megginson, Jr., D.D.S. '54**, who passed away in 2011. The scholarship honors him for his actions and unwavering support that eventually led to a dental hygiene program beginning at GTCC.

Norman "Brick" Grantham, D.D.S. '59, will retire from his job as central prison dental director this summer. After five years of active duty in the Air Force, 30 years in Smithfield private practice and 18 years working for the Department of Corrections, he plans to "back out of full-time practice." Brick also had 29 years of military time and retired from the NC National Guard as a Colonel. Brick expects to spend most of his time in Clearwater, Fla. fishing in the gulf or flying his Cessna.

1960's

Jim McGhee, D.D.S. '61, retired from dental practice in March 2011. He now enjoys playing his five-string banjo, reading, traveling, spending time with his grandchildren and taking care of 40 head of beef cattle. Of course, he can still practice dentistry when needed. He says it's a wonderful life.

1970's

The daughter of **Jerry L. Butler, D.D.S. '72**, Brooke, is a senior at Chapel Hill. She's a double major in economics and Chinese, and consistently makes A's. She loves to travel and will likely live abroad. Though that means he won't have another dentist in the family, he's very proud of all her accomplishments.

Bill Boles, D.D.S. '74, has both his son, **Bill Boles III, D.D.S. '03**, and his daughter, **Catherine Boles, D.D.S. '08**, working with him at Drs. Boles, Ham, Dixon and Boles, the practice he established 38 years ago.

William C. James, D.D.S. '74, M.S. '76, was presented the Fellowship Award by the Southern Academy of Periodontology. He also received the Haiti Mission Service

Award for 25 years of volunteer service on short-term medical teams to Haiti.

Beverly Bizzell, C.D.H. '75, B.S.D.H. '76, retired on January 1 after serving over 35 years as the public health dental hygienist for Moore and Montgomery counties; she was the first public health hygienist for these counties. During her time in that position, she was employed with the oral health section of the NC Department of Health and Human Services. In December, she was honored with the presentation of the Order of the Longleaf Pine from the Governor's office. Now, she and her husband, Chuck, reside in Southern Pines.

William S. Kirk, Jr., D.D.S. '78, relocated his Charlotte-based practice from its previous location to 1700 Abbey Place. He's been in Charlotte since 1981 when he completed his residency at Vanderbilt. As a result of his interest in the temporomandibular joint, Dr. Kirk served as president for the American Society of Temporomandibular Joint Surgeons from 2003-05, and was a speaker at the first joint meeting of the American and European Societies of Temporomandibular Joint Surgeons. He's also started TMJSurgeon.com which presents blogs, clinical commentary and examples of joint pathology not amenable to non surgical clinical dental management. He's most proud, though, of his four children: Jason, a Ph.D. graduate from the University of Pennsylvania and an associate professor of international studies at Elon; Ben, a Ph.D. graduate from the University of Texas who now works as a NASA employee at the Johnson Space Center in Houston and previously co-authored a book chapter with his father on TMJ; Taylor, a recent Texas A&M graduate who works as a corporate grounds specialist at an Austin golf course; and Katie, a freshman at ECU playing golf on a scholarship for the Lady Pirates.

1980's

Sharon Morgan, D.D.S. '81, retired from private practice in 2008 but still does occasional locum tenens work for area colleagues and her former partner. Since retiring, she's enjoyed more travel time, spending time with her grandchildren, and being outside running, biking, golfing, gardening and doing serious hiking. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for Golfers Against Cancer which helps fund cancer research at UNC, Duke, Wake



Martha Ann Keels, D.D.S. '84, was recently awarded the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Oral Health Service Award. The award recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions to advancing pediatric oral health during his/her career through activities within AAP.

Forest and ECU. Recently, she celebrated her 30th anniversary with her husband in Hawaii.

John Saunders, D.D.S. '82, just returned from Hollywood where he spent a week on the set of the horror thriller, *Compound Fracture*. The movie pits Tyler Mane (Michael Meyers from *Halloween*) against Derek Meers (Jason from *Friday the 12th*). Dr. Saunders even has three or four crucial scenes in the movie! His character is the patriarch of the Wolfsen family. Be sure to look for the movie to arrive in theaters in late June!

Howie Shareff, D.D.S. '82, is producing YogaFest NC, an all-day yoga and wellness event in Raleigh on April 14, 2012 at the Midtown Hilton. This inclusive event brings new and experienced yoga enthusiasts together with mobility and food experts to feel and move better. All skill levels are welcome. For more information on the event, visit www.yogafestnc.com. To learn more about Howie's mission after retiring from practicing dentistry due to arthritis, and how you can save your career, visit www.youcallthisyoga.org.

Margaret Walker Ray, D.D.S. '83, sold her Hillsborough-based practice in 2011. She now fills in occasionally for vacations and emergencies if someone needs her help. Most of her time is spent volunteering with the Orange County Meals on Wheels program and, since she now resides in Kernersville, the Kernersville Senior Center.

Amy-Jo Fischer, D.D.S. '85, hosted the Inaugural Pink Ribbon Rally on August 27, 2011 to raise money for breast cancer patients at Kernersville Medical Center. The dinner and silent auction raised \$21,000 that evening. A new fund was established for the hospital in honor of the two oncologists who treated Dr. Fischer two years ago. For her efforts, Dr. Fischer was named to the hospital's Founder's Society and Smiles by Design, which Dr. Fischer owns, was recognized as the business of the month in January by the Kernersville Chamber of Commerce. The Second Annual Pink Ribbon Rally will be held on August 25, 2012.

William Litaker, D.D.S. '85, is currently serving as vice-chair of the NC ADA Delegation and an examiner for CITA. He and his wife, Paula, stay busy with their children, Benjamin and Kylie, who are active in the school band, orchestra, plays, church choir and basketball. The whole family is looking forward to a snorkeling and scuba diving trip to Key West this summer.

F. Vincent Allison III, D.D.S. '87, recently received an appointment from the Durham County Board of Commissioners to serve as the dental representative on the Durham County Public Health Board.

Sharon Nicholson Harrell, D.D.S. '87, received the inaugural Pediatric Oral Health Service Award from the NC Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. The award recognizes exceptional individuals who have a strong record of advocacy for children's oral health in the state.

Brent E. Larson, M.S. '87, was appointed chief orthodontic consultant to the U.S. Air Force Surgeon General. This appointment will allow him to advise the Air Force Medical Service on issues related to the training and practice of orthodontics.

Suzanne Posner, D.D.S. '87, has retired and works as a stone sculptor and portrait painter. She has a new partner, Brianna "The Wonder Dog," who helps her maintain her balance and energy which she lost due to young onset Parkinson's disease (YOPD). Her husband, Alan, lectures internationally on high-intensity radiation for prostate cancer, and her two sons are becoming lovely young men.

Sarah C. Shoaf, D.D.S. '87, opened her own private orthodontics practice in

Winston-Salem after 19 years of working with and for others. She invites all her friends to send their patients her way and to come tour the clinic, which is in a 1930s art deco building.

Elise Bolski, D.D.S. '88, is approaching her 15th anniversary of practicing dentistry in Weston, Fla. In her spare time, she enjoys being in the sunshine, cycling and running. In fact, she's run 12 half marathons and seven full marathons! Her older son is an electrical engineer in Boston and her younger son attends Vanderbilt University. And, of course, she and her husband enjoy watching Carolina basketball.

Gary M. Radz, D.D.S. '89, published two chapters in two different text books: "Minimal Thickness Anterior Porcelain Restorations" in *Dental Clinics of North America* and "Porcelain-Fused-to-Metal Restorations" in *Contemporary Esthetic Dentistry*. He was also the chairman of the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry's 2011 annual meeting in Boston which featured UNC faculty members Dr. Harald Heymann and Dr. Ed Swift.

1990's

R. Kelly Faulk, D.D.S. '91, has three active teenagers, a busy solo practice, a wonderful wife and does a lot of community service! The only thing he hasn't been able to do is find the

"piddling" time he's missing—but with a 17 year-old, a 15 year-old and a 12-year-old, he may not find it for another six years! He's recently launched a new website for his practice, www.FaulkFamilyDentistry.com, which he invites everyone to visit.

Jerry Nazziola, D.D.S. '91, M.S. '94, just celebrated 15 years of practicing periodontics in Greensboro, NC. He says this year he has also been blessed to be married 10 years, have a nine-year-old son, and see his 22-year-old stepdaughter get married.

Rachel T. Wall, B.S.D.H. '96, was named the Most Effective Dental Hygiene Educator in the 2012 DrBicuspid Dental Excellence Awards. She is the founder of Inspired Hygiene, Inc., a coaching and training company focused on helping dentists, hygienists and office managers elevate their level of hygiene service, systems and profits. She worked as a hygienist in the periodontology department of the Dental Faculty Practice from 1997-2000.

Virginia K. Wilson, D.D.S. '96, has returned to work full-time as an empty nester. Her daughter graduated from college and is now working full-time as a professional photographer.

Leslee S. Huggins, D.D.S. '98, and her husband, Dr. Jim Huggins, released their first full-length major motion picture, "Footprints," on DVD on March 1 (www.footprintsmovie.com). Their independent Christian film company, New Shepherd Films, has an international distribution deal encompassing South Africa and eight neighboring countries. Leslee thoroughly enjoys her position as a traveling pediatric dentist for Small Smiles Dental Centers, where she services Mass., Conn. and N.H. This year she's celebrating her third year with the US Navy as a reservist in the dental corps. Additionally, she's teaching Dave Ramsey's "Generation Change" and Crown Ministries' "Money God's Way" at her children's school. She and her husband are enjoying raising their three children, Emma (12), David (7) and Sammy (6), in New England.

Robert P. Stowe, D.D.S. '98, was inducted into the International College of Dentists during the ADA Annual Meeting in Las Vegas in October 2011. He's currently



Carolyn C. Newman, C.D.A. '92, graduated from N.C. State University on December 17, 2011 with a Master of Education: Training and Development. She is currently serving with the Dental Assisting National Board's (DANB) DALE Foundation General Chairside Item Writing Task-force as a subject matter expert and consultant. She also acts a writer for the DANB continuing dental education e-learning article series.

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Ashley Schaaf, D.D.S. '08, had an exciting 2011 both personally and professionally! Professionally, she passed her oral boards to become a diplomate of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. Personally, she gave birth to a happy and healthy (9-pound, 7-ounce) baby girl, Vivienne Bella on November 7. Vivienne is pictured here at one-month old along with her older sister, Hayley, who is 3.5 years old.

the past president of the NCDS Second District. Dr. Stowe is a partner in a Winston-Salem dental practice with David E. Miller, D.D.S. '80, John P. Pruitt, D.D.S. '80, Jason M. Steinbicker, D.D.S. '03, and Dr. L. Beth Link Taylor.

2000's

R. Chris Watson, D.D.S. '00, welcomed his fourth daughter (a future Tar Heel, of course!) in 2011. He also spent time traveling to Haiti with a medical/dental team to provide care for Haitians at three area clinics.

Jonathan B. Owens, B.S.D.H. '01, M.S. '10, has been selected as one of this year's recipients of the Olav Alvares Award for Outstanding Articles Published in the *Journal of Dental Education* (*Journal of the American Dental Education Association*) for his article titled "North Carolina Internists' and Endocrinologists' Knowledge, Opinions, and Behaviors Regarding Periodontal Disease and Diabetes: Need and Opportunity for Interprofessional Education." His thesis committee included his thesis director,

Rebecca Wilder, R.D.H., M.S., professor and director of the Dental Hygiene Education Graduate Program and thesis members Janet Southerland, B.S.D.H., D.D.S., M.P.H., Ph.D. (current dean at Meharry School of Dentistry); John Buse M.D., Ph.D., professor at the UNC School of Medicine and past president of the American Diabetes Association; and Robert Malone, Pharm.D., C.D.E., C.P.P. from the UNC Schools of Medicine and Pharmacy. Jonathan is currently an assistant professor at the Howard University College of Dentistry in Washington, DC.

Kim Hammersmith, D.D.S. '08, finished her pediatric dental residency in Columbus, Ohio and is now working as a pediatric dentist for Gaston Family Health Services in Gastonia, NC.

2010's

C. Andrew Lee, D.D.S. '10, and his father, **Cyrus F. Lee, Jr., D.D.S. '79**, began practicing dentistry together in Wilson as Lee Dentistry.

In Memoriam: Donald L. Henson, 1923–2012

Dr. Donald L. Henson, Sr., a longtime friend of the UNC School of Dentistry, passed away on September 17, 2012 at the age of 88 after an extended illness.

After graduating from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dentistry in 1951, Dr. Henson moved to Kinston, NC and opened his own dental office. During that time he took courses in pediatric dentistry and in 1957 transitioned his practice to a pediatric office. He became known for his

kindness, love and respect for his young patients. Dr. Henson also provided low-fee care for many years to local patients who required denture services which eventually led to the founding of Affordable Dentures, an effort co-founded by Dr. George L. Edwards, Jr. This concept grew into today's Affordable Care Corporation which supports 170 Affordable Dentures centers across the country and serves more than 5 million patients.

"Until illness slowed him down, the Don Henson I knew was an energetic man of action, and a force for good," said Alumni Distinguished Professor and former dean Dr. John W. Stamm. "By his example Dr. Don Henson inspired others to live, as he so frequently liked to say, as 'givers, not takers.'"

UNC found a great and generous friend in Dr. Henson. Although not an alumnus, Dr. Henson saw the need to support the future of NC dentistry. He is

remembered for generously funding the Dr. Donald Henson and Mrs. Alexandra Henson Distinguished Professorship in Pediatric Dentistry and an exam room at the Dental Faculty Practice for wheelchair-bound patients. He also served on a number of school and University committees, including the School of Dentistry Bicentennial Campaign Steering Committee, the Executive Committee of the UNC-CH Educational Foundation and the UNC Board of Visitors.

"Don was a wonderful friend. He influenced me and the UNC School of Dentistry," Stamm said. "He was positive about the people he met and looked for ways to improve their lives. He and his wife, Sandra, were consistently generous in their support to the community, their church, and particularly to various programs and entities at UNC. Don was a proud and enthusiastic UNC Tar Heel, and we'll miss him greatly."





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